

zen, but a willing tool to Mr. Bowser's hand.

"Gosden is the man who made an incendiary speech in Vancouver at a time when 150 miners were in jail. He made threats against Mr. Bowser; said he had better have someone taste his coffee in the morning, and that if he found himself in the woods he might be taken for a bear! No language could be more calculated to give the government a reason for keeping the miners in jail. Parker Williams had to take the platform to offset the effect of this speech, and remarked that in case of trouble Gosden would be found twenty miles in the rear. We next find Gosden in the strike zone on Vancouver Island, where the military were in control and even old residents could not move about freely. Gosden addressed a meeting of strikers; told them: 'This is a good night to start something and I'll show you I won't be twenty miles in the rear.' No notice was taken of him by the military or the authorities. Not long after that Parker Williams was surprised to see Gosden working as a janitor around the provincial government buildings in Victoria!

Gosden the Perjurer

"Gosden swore that M. A. Macdonald met him in a secret and clandestine manner and handed him \$50. For this no less a place was chosen than in front of the post office on Government street in Victoria. The moment this perjurer told this story Mr. Macdonald went out and secured a warrant for his arrest, knowing that the man was lying and not stopping to think about the corroborative evidence that is required to sustain a charge of perjury. The case went to the assizes and in usual course it was tried by a court where Mr. Bowser and his minions did not have control, and the result was as indicated in the foreman's statement to the judge, 11 to 1 for conviction. One man, the foreman said, stood out stubbornly, refusing to discuss the evidence with the other jurors or to give his reasons one way or the other. The case stands over to the fall assizes, on that and another count. That one jurymen we know, and we know that he is in the debt of J. S. H. Matson, the man who got his arm into the treasury up to the shoulder and draws about \$30,000 a year for his newspapers.

"Plugging is no new thing in elections on the part of the government machine. We know what happened in Cranbrook in 1909. We have heard of Ben Teed, the man who voted seven times for T. D. Caven, so enamored was he of the McBride railway policy. We know of the case of Tom Whelan, who voted twice at least for the Honourable W. R. Ross in Fernie, which place Mr. Ross has left for Fernie's good. We know of twenty other cases besides Whelan's, but what happened? Whelan went before a complaisant justice in Elko, one Ross, and was fined a nominal sum instead of being sent to jail as the law requires. Then when he came up in court on the prosecution he was able to plead that his case had already been dealt with.

The Love-Price Letters

"There are the letters which passed between W. H. Price, secretary of the Victoria Conservative Association, and Victor H. Love, secretary of the Vancouver Conservative Association, showing what took place at the federal election in 1911.

"Victoria Conservative Club,

"Victoria, October 6, 1911.

"Re Dominion Election, Sept. 11.

"Victor H. Love,

"Secretary Vancouver Conservative Association,

"Vancouver, B. C.

"Dear Sir,—I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of October 4, and like yourself, regret very much that any misunderstanding should have taken place in reference to Vancouver voters in Victoria. In reference to the amount furnished:

53 men tickets at \$3.50

10 men tickets at \$2.70

22 berth money at \$1.00

"The above amounts to \$334.50.

We have also advanced to your men the amount we advised them they would receive, same being, viz., \$10 each, this being \$70, and some fifteen men are persistently around the headquarters here demanding same amount.

"In squaring up we would like to get a list of the men paid by yourself, so that in settling up we shall not be called upon to pay over the amount thought necessary. A number have mentioned that they were going to write to you demanding their